- 27. The method according to claim 26 wherein the second liquid comprises a halide-free liquid.
- 28. The method according to claim 26 wherein step b) comprises the step of simultaneously decreasing the flow of the liquid reactant and increasing the flow of the second liquid.

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- 29. The method according to claim 26 wherein step b) comprises the step of simultaneously increasing the flow of the liquid reactant and decreasing the flow of the second liquid.
- 30. The method according to claim 26 wherein said step b) occurs during a steady state of liquid flow into the combustion zone.
- 31. The method according to claim 1 wherein an atmosphere exposed to the combustion zone comprises an atmosphere of water contained in air.

REMARKS

The claims pending in the application are claims 1 31. In the amendment, the applicants have added new claims 26-31 to the application. In addition, the applicants submit that no new matter has been added to the application as a result of the inclusion claims 26-31. Consideration and entry of the amendment to the claims is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

The applicants respectfully request a first action on the merits with respect to claims 1-31 of the application, as amended above. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments regarding the invention, or this amendment, he is courteously invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the address and telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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